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SUBJ: PROPOSED MODIFICATIONS IN DEPICTION OF SINO-INDIAN BORDER

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MANNER IN WHICH SINO-INDIAN BORDER SET FORTH WILL BE OF AS LITTLE
MOMENT IN BANGLADESH AS AMEMBASSY KATHMANDU CONCLUDES IT WILL BE
IN NEPAL

(KATHMANDU 4031). HOWEVER, READY WILLINGNESS ON PART US
ACCEPT ABSORPTION SIKKIM WHICH MAPS WOULD EVIDENCE WILL BE READ
BY BENGALLEES TO MEANTHAT, IN LAST ANALYSIS, US PREDISPOSED ACCEPT
IDEA OF INDIAN HEGEMONY IN SOUTH ASIA. GIVEN BANGLADESH'S OVER-
WHELMING DEPENDENCE ON EXTERNAL AID AND ITS HIGH HOPES FOR
AMERICAN GENEROSITY, BDG WOULD PROBABLY SWALLOW HARD AND SAY
NOTHING. THE BDG WOULD FIND ADDED REASON FOR SILENCE BECAUSE OF
ITS "SPECIAL RELATIONSHIP" WITH INDIA. HOWEVER, GIVEN THEIR
PROCLIVITY FOR CONSPIRACY THEORIES, BENGALLEES WILL SEE MORE IN
SIKKIM NONDEPICTION THAN IS INTENDED BE THERE. AND BDG SILENCE
WILL GIVE THE ANTI-INDIAN SECTION OF ITS OPPONENTS ADDED
AMMUNITION.

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